

AN ORDINANCE      **9 8 1 8 6**

**INCREASING THE BURNING PERMIT FEE FROM \$103.00 TO \$125.00 PER INSPECTION; INCREASING THE EXPLOSIVE HANDLER PERMIT FEE FROM \$51.50 TO \$100.00 PER EXAM; INCREASING THE ABOVE GROUND STORAGE TANK FEE FROM \$300.00 TO \$330.00 PER INSPECTION; INCREASING THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FEE FROM \$206.00 TO \$225.00 PER INSPECTION; INCREASING THE LABORATORY/CLINIC INSPECTION FEE FROM \$51.50 TO \$150.00 PER ANNUAL INSPECTION; INCREASING THE BONDED WAREHOUSE INSPECTION FEE FROM \$51.50 TO \$125.00 PER ANNUAL INSPECTION; INCREASING THE FIREWORKS DISPLAY PERMIT FEE FROM \$360.50 TO \$450.00 PER DISPLAY; INCREASING THE BONFIRE PERMIT FROM \$360.50 TO \$400.00 PER DISPLAY; INCREASING THE FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM RE-TESTING FEE FROM \$103.00 TO \$125.00 PER INSPECTION UPON FAILURE OF THE INITIAL TEST; INCREASING THE FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM RE-SCHEDULING FEE FROM \$103.00 TO \$125.00 FOR FAILURE TO PROVIDE FOUR HOURS NOTICE OF CANCELLATION; INCREASING THE FIRE CODE RE-INSPECTION FEE FROM \$41.20 TO \$100.00 PER VISIT; AND AMENDING SECTION 11-16 OF THE CITY CODE TO REFLECT SUCH CHANGES.**

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**WHEREAS**, a comprehensive analysis, which was performed to determine the costs of providing permit and inspection services, indicates that the San Antonio Fire Department is not recovering its costs for providing specific permitting services; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the results of the comprehensive analysis, it is advisable to increase certain permit fees and inspection fees where the current fees do not cover the costs of providing said services; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to amend the San Antonio City Code to reflect these amendments; **NOW THEREFORE**:

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:**

**SECTION 1.** Paragraphs 2, 6, 15, and 16 of Subsection (a) of Section 11-16 of the San Antonio City Code are hereby amended as follows:

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| (2)  | Explosive handler’s permit, per year | \$100.00 |
| (6)  | Burning permits                      | \$125.00 |
| (15) | Bonfire permit, per event            | \$400.00 |
| (16) | Fireworks display permit, per event  | \$450.00 |

**SECTION 2.** Subsection (c) of Section 11-16 of the San Antonio City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (c) Reinspection fee. A reinspection fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be assessed for each inspection or reinspection when work for which an inspection or reinspection is requested is not approved. A reinspection fee may also be assessed when the permit is not properly posted on the work site, when the approved plans are not readily available to the inspector, when access is not provided on the date for which inspection is requested or for noncompliance with approved plans, requiring reinspection and approval of the fire official. All reinspection fees shall be paid before final release of public utilities and issuance of the certificate of occupancy.

**SECTION 3.** Subsection (g)(3) of Section 11-16 of the San Antonio City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (g)(3) State or private/public required annual inspections of laboratories, clinics and bonded warehouses or other similar occupancies that require certification or approval by the fire marshal’s office shall be assessed a fee which shall be remitted at the fire marshal’s office prior to the required inspection as follows:

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| Laboratories, Clinics, Rehabilitation Facilities | \$150.00  |
| Bonded warehouses or other similar occupancies   | \$125.00. |

**SECTION 4.** Subsection (h) of Section 11-16 of the San Antonio City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (h) Aboveground storage tank fee. A permit fee of three hundred thirty dollars (\$330.00) for each aboveground storage tank regardless of capacity is hereby established and shall be assessed for the construction of any permanent aboveground storage tank used for the storage of flammable liquids, combustible liquids, or hazardous materials, and shall be paid prior to commencement of any construction. Plans must be submitted for approval prior to the issuance of a permit.

**SECTION 5.** Subsection (i) of Section 11-16 of the San Antonio City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (i) Underground storage tank fee. A permit fee of two hundred twenty five dollars (\$225.00) per underground storage tank shall be assessed for the inspection of the installation, interior lining, filling with inert material or removal of any underground storage tank used for the storage of flammable liquids, combustible liquids or hazardous materials. A permit shall be obtained prior to commencement of any activity stated above.


**SECTION 6.** Subsection (j) of Section 11-16 of the San Antonio City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

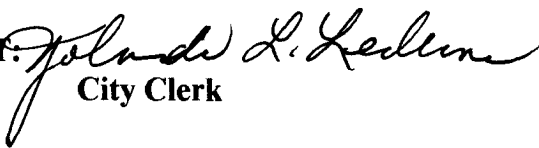
- (j)(1) Retest fee. If a retest of a fire protection system or portion thereof is necessary due to failure of a previous test, a retest fee of one hundred twenty five dollars (\$125.00) per retest shall be paid at the fire marshal's office prior to retesting.
- (2) Rescheduling fee. If a test or a retest of any fire protection system is canceled within four (4) hours of the scheduled test, a rescheduling fee of one hundred twenty five dollars (\$125.00) shall be paid prior to rescheduling of the required test.

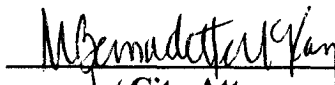
**SECTION 7.** All other Subsections of Section 11-16 of the San Antonio City Code not specifically amended herein shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

**SECTION 8.** This ordinance shall take effect October 1, 2003.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003.

  
M A Y O R  
EDWARD D. GARZA

ATTEST:   
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:   
City Attorney